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**TRANSCRIBED AUDIO STATEMENT OF U.S. ATTORNEY JOHNNY SUTTON
REGARDING OSVALDO ALDRETE-DAVILA PLEADING GUILTY
TO DRUG SMUGGLING CHARGES**

“This is Johnny Sutton, United States Attorney for the Western District of Texas. I have repeatedly said that if we obtained sufficient, competent and admissible evidence against Aldrete, we would prosecute him. I fulfilled that promise when the DEA arrested Aldrete on an indictment charging him with federal drug smuggling. Today, Aldrete pleaded guilty to that indictment. Just as Aldrete’s illegal conduct did not excuse the crimes committed by Compean and Ramos, likewise, their crimes did not excuse his. Compean and Ramos had their day in court and were convicted by an El Paso jury after a two and half week long jury trial. Now, Aldrete has had his day in court and will soon be paying for his crimes.”